AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Previously presented) A benzopyrone compound having the general formula (I):

$$R_4$$
 R_5
 R_6
 R_7
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 R_9

wherein:

A is selected from CH or N;

B is selected from O or S:

R₁ and R₂ are respectively selected from H, C₁-C₁₂ alkyl or C₁-C₁₂ haloalkyl;

R₃ is selected from H, C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, C₁-C₁₂ haloalkyl or C₁-C₁₂ alkoxy;

wherein:

R₁₀ and R₁₁ are selected from H, C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, aryl or aryl C₁-C₁₂ alkyl; R₅ is selected

from H, halo, CN, NO₂, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_2 - C_{12} alkenyl, C_2 - C_{12} alkynyl, C_1 - C_{12} haloalkyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxycarbonyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxycarbonyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxycarbonyl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, or amino C_1 - C_{12} alkyl in which amino is substituted with 0-2 C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, 0-3 substituted groups of aryl, aryl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, aryloxy C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, aryl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, the teroaryl or heteroaryl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, the 0-3 substituted groups may be selected from halo, NO₂, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, and the groups having general formula as follows:

wherein:

 R_{10} and R_{11} are selected from H, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, aryl or aryl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl; and its stereoisomer.

2. (Previously presented) The benzopyrone compound according to the claim 1, wherein:

A is selected from CH or N;

B is selected from O or S; R₁ and R₂ are respectively selected from H, C₁-C₆ alkyl or C₁-C₆ haloalkyl;

R₃ is selected from H, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl or C₁-C₆ alkoxy;

 $R_4, R_6, R_7,$ and R_8 may be the same or different, selected from H, halo, CN, NO2, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, $C_2\text{-}C_6$ alkeyl, $C_2\text{-}C_6$ alkeyl, $C_2\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, or amino $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, in which amino is substituted with 0-2 $C_1\text{-}C_1$ alkyl, 0-3 substituted groups of aryl, aryloxyl, arylC_1\text{-}C_6 alkyl, arylC_1-C_6 alkyl, arylC_1-C_6 alkyl, arylC_1-C_6 alkyl, heteroarylC_1-C_6 alkyl, heteroarylC_1-C_6 alkyl, heteroarylC_1-C_6 alkyl, heteroarylC_1-C_6 alkyl, heteroarylC_1-C_6 alkyl, heteroarylC_1-C_6 alkyl, alkyl, and groups having formula as follows:

wherein:

 R_{10} and R_{11} are respectively selected from H, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, aryl or aryl $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl; R_5 is selected from H, halo, CN, NO₂, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, $C_2\text{-}C_6$ alkenyl, $C_2\text{-}C_6$ alkynyl, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ haloalkyl, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkylcarbonyl, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkoxyC_1-C_6 alkyl, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkoxycarbonyl, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, or amino $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl in which amino is substituted with 0-2 C_1-C_12 alkyl, 0-3 substituted groups of aryl, arylC_1-C_6 alkyl, aryloxyC_1-C_6 alkyl, arylC_1-C_6 alkoxyC_1-C_6 alkyl, heteroaryl, heteroarylC_1-C_6 alkyl, the 0-3 substituted groups may be selected from halo, NO₂, $C_1\text{-}C_2$ alkyl, $C_1\text{-}C_2$ alkyl, $C_1\text{-}C_2$ alkyl, and groups having formula as follows:

wherein:

R₁₀ and R₁₁ are respectively selected from H, C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl or arylC₁-C₆ alkyl.

3. (Previously presented) The benzopyrone compound according to the claim 2, wherein:

A is selected from CH or N;

B is selected from O;

R₁ and R₂ are respectively selected from methyl:

R₃ is selected from H or methyl:

R₄, R₆, R₇, and R₈ may be the same or different, respectively selected from H, halo, CN, NO₂, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkoxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆ alkoxycarbonylC₁-C₃ alkyl, C₁-C₃ haloalkoxyC₁-C₃ alkyl, or amino C₁-C₃ alkyl in which amino is substituted with 0-2 C₁-C₃ alkyl, phenyl, phenoxy, phenyl C₁-C₂ alkyl, phenylC₁-C₂ alkyl, phenylmethyl, phenylmethoxyl, or phenylmethoxy C₁-C₂ alkyl substituted with 0-2 halo,

 NO_2 , C_1 - C_2 alkyl, C_1 - C_2 haloalkyl, C_1 - C_2 alkoxy or C_1 - C_2 alkoxy C_1 - C_2 alkyl, and the substituted group having general formula as follows:

wherein:

R₁₀ and R₁₁ are respectively selected from H or C₁-C₆ alkyl;

 $R_{\,5}$ is selected from H, halo, CN, NO₂, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, C₁-C₆ alkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₆ alkoxyC₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkoxycarbonylC₁-C₃ alkyl, C₁-C₃ haloalkoxyC₁-C₃ alkyl, or amino C₁-C₃ alkyl in which amino is substituted with 0-2 C₁-C₃ alkyl, phenyl, phenyl C₁-C₂ alkyl, phenoxy C₁-C₂ alkyl, phenylmethyl or phenylmethoxy C₁-C₂ alkyl substituted with 0-2 halo, NO₂, C₁-C₂ alkyl, C₁-C₂ haloalkyl, C₁-C₂ alkoxy or C₁-C₂ alkoxyC₁-C₂ alkyl, and the substituted group having general formula as follows:

wherein:

R₁₀ and R₁₁ are respectively selected from H or C₁-C₆ alkyl.

4. (Previously presented) The benzopyrone compound according to the claim 3, wherein:

A is selected from CH or N:

B is selected from O:

R₁ and R₂ are selected from methyl;

R₃ is selected from H or methyl;

 R_4 , R_6 , R_7 , and R_8 may be the same or different, respectively selected from H, Cl, Br, F, CN, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, C_1 - C_8 alkyl, C_1 - C_9 alkyl, amino C_1 - C_9 alkyl in which amino is substituted with 0-2 C_1 - C_9 alkyl, phenyl, phenoxy, phenylmethyl, phenylmethoxyl, substituted with 0-2 halo, NO₂, C_1 - C_9 alkyl, C_1 - C_9 alkyl, C_1 - C_9 alkoxy, C_1 - C_9 alkoxy, C_1 - C_9 alkyl, and the substituted

groups having general formula as follows:

wherein:

 R_{10} and R_{11} are selected from methyl; R_5 is selected from H, Cl, Br, F, CN, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 haloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylcarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy C_1 - C_3 alkyl, C_1 - C_3 haloalkoxy C_1 - C_3 alkyl, amino C_1 - C_3 alkyl in which amino is substituted with 0-2 C_1 - C_3 alkyl, phenyl, phenylmethyl, substituted with 0-2 halo, NO_2 , C_1 - C_2 alkyl, C_1 - C_2 alkoxy or C_1 - C_3 alkyl, and the substituted groups having general formula as follows:

wherein:

R₁₀ and R₁₁ are selected from methyl.

5. (Previously presented) A method for preparing a benzopyrone compound of general formula (I) which comprises reacting a Benzylhalide compound having general formula (II) with a 7-OH-benzopyrone compound having general formula (III) in the presence of a

base:

wherein:

Z is leaving group selected from Cl or Br;

A is selected from CH or N;

B is selected from O or S:

R₁ andR₂ are respectively selected from H, C₁-C₁₂ alkyl or C₁-C₁₂ haloalkyl;

R₃ is selected from H, C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, C₁-C₁₂ haloalkyl or C₁-C₁₂ alkoxy;

 R_4 , R_6 , R_7 , and R_8 may be the same or different, respectively selected from H, halo, CN, NO₂, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_2 - C_{12} alkenyl, C_2 - C_{12} alkynyl, C_1 - C_{12} haloalkyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxy, C_1 - C_{12} alkylthio, C_1 - C_{12} alkylsulfonyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkylcarbonyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxyC₁- C_{12} alkyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxyCarbonyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxyCarbonyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_1 - C_1 2 alkyl, C_1 - C_1 2 alkyl, C_1 - C_1 3 alkyl, C_1 - C_1 4 alkyl, C_1 - C_1 5 alkyl, C_1 0

or amino C_1 - C_{12} alkyl in which amino is substituted with 0-2 C_1 - C_{12} alkyl; 0-3 substituted groups of aryl, arylo C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, aryl C_1 - C_{12} alkoxy, aryloxy C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, aryl C_1 - C_{12} alkoxyl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, or heteroaryl C_1 - C_{12} alkoxyl, the 0-3 substituted groups may be selected from halo, NO_2 , C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 haloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy or C_1 - C_6 alkoxy C_1 - C_6 alkyl, and the groups having general formula as follows:

wherein:

 R_{10} and R_{11} are selected from H, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, aryl or aryl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl; R_3 is selected from H, halo, CN, NO_2 , C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_2 - C_{12} alkenyl, C_2 - C_{12} alkynyl, C_1 - C_{12} haloalkyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxycarbonyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxycarbonyl C_1 - C_{12} alkoxycarbonyl C_1 - C_{12} alkoxycarbonyl C_1 - C_{12} alkoxycarbonyl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, or amino C_1 - C_{12} alkyl in which amino is substituted with 0-2 C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, 0-3 substituted groups of aryl, aryl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, aryloxy C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, aryl C_1 - C_{12} alkoxyl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, heteroaryl or heteroaryl C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, the 0-3 substituted groups may be selected from halo, NO_2 , C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 haloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy or C_1 - C_6 alkoxy or C_1 - C_6 alkyl, and the groups having general formula as follows:

wherein:

R₁₀ and R₁₁ are selected from H, C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, aryl or aryl C₁-C₁₂ alkyl.

6-8. (Canceled)

9. (Previously presented) A method of controlling insects which comprises applying the

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compound according to claim 1 to a plant.

10. (Previously presented) A method of controlling fungi which comprises applying the

compound according to claim 1 to a plant.

11. (Previously presented) A fungicidal or insecticidal composition comprising the compound of

claim 1 as an active ingredient, wherein the weight percentage of the active ingredient in the

composition is from 0.1% to 99%.

12. (New) The benzopyrone compound according to claim 1, wherein

A is CH:

B is O:

R₁ and R₂ are methyl:

R₃ is H: and

R₄, R₅, R₆, R₇, and R₈ may be the same or different and are selected from the group

consisting of H, halo, and C1-C6 alkyl.

13. (New) The benzopyrone compound according to claim 12, wherein the stereoisomer is E-

isomer

14. (New) The benzopyrone compound according to claim 12, wherein

R₅ is methyl;

R6, R7 and R8 are H; and

R4 is selected from the group consisting of Cl, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, and n-butyl.

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